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Statement by Governor Brewer

Don Cardon to Resign Post as CEO of Arizona Commerce Authority

"Don played an integral role in transforming the outdated Department of Commerce into what it is today – a revitalized, restructured Arizona Commerce Authority that is solely focused on jobs and economic growth. I thank him for his service to this state and the role he has played in helping lead the Arizona Comeback.

"Arizona's economic future has been brightened by Don's vision and dedication. I wish him well.

"Don Cardon will maintain his role as CEO of the Arizona Commerce Authority during this transition period while a nationwide search is conducted for his replacement. We will act as quickly as possible, mindful that Arizona needs the right person to lead an organization so critical to our economy."

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